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NASA Wallops Conducts Ground Breaking for New Facility

NASA Wallops Flight Facility held a ground breaking ceremony on May 20 to begin construction on a high-quality payload processing facility to support NASA's science and technology missions.



Photos by Betty Flowers

(left to right) Al Diaz, Director, Goddard Space Flight Center; Rick Obenschain, GSFC Director of Applied Engineering and Technology; John Campbell, Wallops Senior Manager; Rick Baldwin, Virginia Space Flight Authority; and Dan Hayworth, Office of Senator Nick Rerras

The new payload building will house two large bays reaching up to 70-feet high with cranes capable of lifting up to 40 tons. The building also will include project equipment rooms and two large project workspace rooms.

When complete, the building will accommodate the testing and processing of spacecraft and upper

stage components of larger rockets prior to being moved to launch pads on Wallops Island. The new payload processing building will provide the much needed, higher quality space for the integration of satellites and launch vehicles such as the air-launched Pegasus.

In addition to spacecraft integration and testing, other expected uses include preparation of scientific balloon technology and demonstration payloads for reentry technology flight testing. This will include projects for the Department of Defense, educational university-class missions, and commercial spacecraft.

The building, expected to cost approximately \$5 million, will be located adjacent to the Wallops Flight Facility's Main Base in the old housing complex.

The first phase of construction is scheduled to be complete by January 2004.



Artist's Sketch of the new Payload Processing Facility

Wallops employees and guests took time out for the ground breaking and a chance to enjoy the sunshine.



Wallops Shorts.....

Blood Drive

Wallops employees donated 25 pints of blood during the recent American Red Cross Blood Drive. Thanks to everyone who took part.

In the News

Eastern Shore Post

"Wallops Team in Greenland"
"Wallops Launches Scheduled Over Next Week"

On the Road

Mike Bundick, NASA Wallops Information Services and Advanced Technology Branch, conducted mock interviews for computer system technology students at the Badger Technical Center on May 9.

Betty Flowers and Keith Koehler, NASA Public Affairs Office, spoke to the Eastern Shore Working Waterman's Association on May 12, the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce and the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce on May 20 and the Accomack County Board of Supervisors on May 21 regarding upcoming launch range activity.

Security Heightened

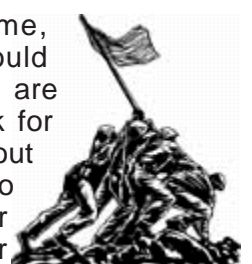
The Goddard Space Flight Center is moving to Force Protection Condition Charlie (Modified), in response to the Department of Homeland Security's raising of the nation's security to Level Orange. The enhanced security measure will be effective immediately.

For questions regarding security related matters, call the Wallops Security Office at x2536 or x1335. For questions regarding safety or emergency preparedness matters, call x1498.

Memorial Day

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the National Moment of Remembrance at 3 p.m. (local time) on Memorial Day, May 26.

At that time, Americans should stop what they are doing and think for one minute about those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom.



Additional information regarding the National Moment of Remembrance can be found at www.remember.gov

2003 GSFC Annual Awards of Excellence



Secretarial and Clerical Excellence

Amy Taylor, NASA Systems Software Engineering Branch
Presented by Steve Nelson, (left)
NASA Applied Engineering and Technology Directorate (AETD)



Safety Award of Honor

Jim Lanzi, NASA GN&C and Mission Systems Engineering Branch
Presented by Steve Nelson, (left),
NASA AETD.



Customer Service Excellence

Jeffrey Dorman (left photo) and Gary Burgess, (right photo) Computer Sciences Corporation. Presented by Steve Nelson, NASA AETD.

The following Wallops individuals and teams also were selected to receive the Goddard Space Flight Center Annual Awards of Excellence as specified

Excellence in Outreach

Chuck Brodell, NASA Shuttle Small Payloads Projects Office

Outstanding Teamwork

Wallops Mission Possible (Procurement Operations Division)

Customer Service Excellence

**Marianne Simko, EG&G
NASA Visitor Center
Shuttle Small Payloads Project**



Photos by Jim Mason-Foley and Lee Wingfield.

Centennial of Flight Milestones

76 years ago on May 21, 1927, Charles Lindbergh completed the first solo trans-Atlantic flight from New York to Paris.

72 years ago on May 27, 1931, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) opened the first full-scale wind tunnel in Langley, VA. (now NASA Langley Research Center).

42 years ago on May 25, 1961, President John F. Kennedy committed the U.S. to a moon landing by 1970.

Employee Assistant Program Lunch & Learn

May 29
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Williamsburg Room, Building E-2

Mind/body wellness is the topic. Tom Northern, EAP Counselor, will discuss the integration of physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual needs.

Goal: To strengthen natural healing ability.

The Help Desk has Moved

The WICC Customer Service Help Desk has moved to the west wing of Building D-1, Room 204.

Vehicle reservations will continue to be provided by the WICC Help Desk. Vehicles will be located in the parking lot in front of Building D-1. Keys should be picked up between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. The drop box for keys to vehicles returned after hours will be located at the front entrance of Building D-1. To reach the HELP desk call x4357.

Do you know about the change to the e-mail policy?

Is timely receipt of your e-mail important to you?

Do you frequently send e-mail attachments with 20MGs or more?

Do you have your e-mail client set to automatically check e-mail every 5 minutes, 10 minutes, or less?

Do you leave your e-mails and attachments on the server longer than 3 days?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, or responded with "I don't know", you are at risk of NOT receiving your e-mail in a timely manner, or at ALL.

Effective June 1, 2003, GSFC will implement a policy (Ref.: GSFC Announcement 03-24, dated 04/28/03) that restricts mailbox sizes to 50MB, attachments to 20MB, and automatic e-mail checking to 15 minutes or more.

If you exceed the 50MB mailbox size limit you will be locked out of your account. At that time, you will need to contact the ODIN IntelliCenter (1-877-447-4968) to have your account re-opened, and instructed on how to clear any excessive mail from the server. Warnings will also be given when your mailbox size reaches 40MB in order to avoid getting locked out. If you attempt to send attachments 20MB and over, you will receive a notification that your message has exceeded the 20MB message size, and the message, with attachment, will be returned to you as undeliverable.

WFF ODIN will be conducting an E-mail Policy Change Lunch & Learn Educational Session on May 28. This session is scheduled for one hour with an additional 30 minutes to address any questions or concerns following the presentation.

What: E-Mail Policy Change Lunch & Learn Session (Bring your lunch)

Where: Building E-2 Training Room

When: May 28 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Why: Compliance with the E-Mail Policy Change

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